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SUBJ: THAI INTEREST IN PURCHASE OF F-5E/F AIRCRAFT

1. ROYAL THAI AIR FORCE HAS ADVISED JUSMAG THAT IT HAS OBTAINED RTG APPROVAL TO SIGN LETTER OF ACCEPTANCE FOR 16 F-5 AIRCRAFT (13 E AND 3 F) FROM U.S. RTAF REQUESTS INFORMATION ON POSSIBILITY OF FINANCING PROJECT THROUGH ALLOCATION OF FMS CREDITS TO GUARANTEE PRIVATE COMMERCIAL LOAN, WHICH RTAF THINKS GENERAL FISH, DIRECTOR DSAA, SUGGESTED AS A POSSIBILITY IN CONVERSATION WITH RTAF CINC AIR CHIEF MARSHAL KAMOL IN WASHINGTON IN OCTOBER 1975. RTAF WISHES TO SIGN LOA PRIOR TO EXPIRATION ON APRIL 15, 1976 AND IN MEANTIME IS PREPARED TO EXECUTE LETTER OF INTENT, UNDERSTANDING THAT THIS INCURS FINANCIAL OBLIGATION. RTAF IS CONSIDERING SENDING REPRESENTATIVES TO WASHINGTON, IF NECESSARY, TO WORK OUT FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS SPEEDILY.

2. TOTAL COST OF PACKAGE IS AN ESTIMATED \$72 MILLION. RTAF SAYS IT HAS \$9 MILLION ALREADY IN HAND.

3. EMBASSY AND JUSMAG ARE WORKING UP MISSION COMMENTS
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AND RECOMMENDATIONS WHICH WILL FOLLOW SHORTLY.

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